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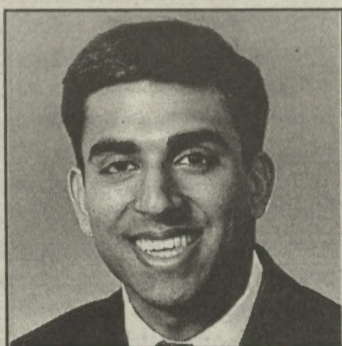
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USM Board of Regents proposes tuition hike

David Ferrera
News Editor

Students can expect to be paying even more for tuition next fall if a proposed seven percent increase is passed by the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents in an October 4 vote. The vote was delayed from a scheduled summer session so that students may have an opportunity to respond to the proposal.

A seven percent increase would generate an additional \$1.6 million for the university and prevent the loss of faculty and staff. In order to retain teachers and staff without the tuition increase the operating budget for the university would have to be reduced by 28 percent, which would have widespread impacts on every aspect of university operations.



The Flyer/File photo
Student Regent Raj Goel seeks more money from General Assembly.

To avoid this strain on the university budget without placing the full burden on students requires more money from the Maryland General Assembly. Currently SSU receives \$4,067 per full time student, nearly \$1,300 less than the average of all Maryland public non-research universities. Appropriations for fiscal year 1997 have been tentatively set to decrease per student spending for SSU.

"We are traditionally in the bottom three in that category," said Doug Zwiselberger, president of the Student Government Association (SGA). USM Student Regent Raj Goel said, "Maryland ranks among the lowest in education appropriation." Despite the fact that the largest increase in the state budget has been a 3.5 percent increase to the USM, "We need to educate the Maryland General Assembly and the governor on the realities of running a university," Goel added.

Some students in the science department are using equipment that is 20 years old, according to Justin McCord, SGA vice president of public relations. Goel also stressed that strong financial support is an investment in the future of students. "When you graduate from Salisbury, you want the diploma to mean something," he said. Without the extra money, either through additional funding or a tuition increase, SSU faces falling behind other institutions.

The SGA has yet to take a position on the tuition proposal and is scheduling open forums for

Institution Non-Research*	State Appropriation/FTE Fiscal Year 1996
St. Mary's	\$7,076
Morgan	\$6,342
University of Baltimore	\$6,144
UMES	\$5,468
Coppin	\$5,060
Frostburg	\$4,500
Towson	\$4,215
SSU	\$4,067
Bowie	\$3,872

*Non-research: UMAB, UMCP and UMBC excluded

SSU receives second lowest state funding per student.

students to voice their opinions on the issue. Zwiselberger said the SGA will determine its response to the Board of Regents based on student response. The forums are intended to educate students about the issue from all sides, including how tuitions are spent.

The first forum meeting is scheduled for September 23, with President William Merwin present to discuss the economics of running a university.

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Pfisteria continues to plague Eastern Shore

Brent Bozman
Flyer Staff Writer

Authorities remain puzzled by a recent string of fish kills in the Pocomoke and Manokin Rivers, raising concerns about the safety of the Eastern Shore's waterways.

Watermen discovered the first major fish kill in the Pocomoke River between August 6 and 9, which killed 10,000 fish. Maryland Governor Parris Glendening closed an eight mile stretch of the river when a second major kill of 2,000 fish was discovered on August 29.

Approximately 50,000 fish have died in the Pocomoke River since the first fish kill was discovered. On September 11, the first major kill was found outside of the Pocomoke River, when as many as 6,000 fish were discovered dead in King's Creek, a branch of the Manokin River.

Researchers connect the fish kills to the microscopic dinoflagellate *pfisteria piscicida*, which has also caused the death of 1.5 million fish in North Carolina. Since *pfisteria* is a relatively new discovery, along with the difficulty of studying an aquatic environment that is constantly changing, scientists still have much to learn about *pfisteria*.

However, scientists do know that *pfisteria* exists in 23 different stages, most of them neutral and non-toxic. When a change in the environment acts upon *pfisteria*, it is activated and begins attacking fish, causing lesions and eventually death.

Opinions are divided on what causes *pfisteria* to become toxic to fish. Most researchers agree that the *pfisteria* attacks are

related to the food supply and amount of nutrients in the water. Environmentalists point to the massive amounts of nutrients in fertilizer and chicken manure believing that the runoff from these agricultural products triggers the toxic stage of *pfisteria*. However, there is no evidence linking chicken waste to the outbreaks.

Researchers and watermen who have come into contact with *pfisteria* report to be suffering from symptoms such as headaches, rashes, nausea and short term memory loss. According to Dr. Harry Womack, SSU professor of biology, the inconsistency of these symptoms makes it difficult to tell whether *pfisteria* effects humans and if it does, to what extent the effect might be. As a result of the lack of



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Beneath the peaceful waters of the Pocomoke River, *pfisteria* continues to kill.

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Engineering program established with UMCP

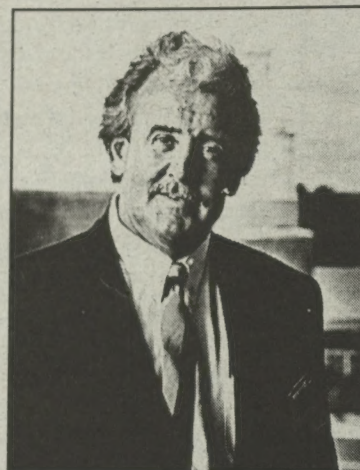
Office of Public Relations

The presidents of the Eastern Shore's two universities and Maryland's flagship campus signed an agreement which, for the first time, will establish a four-year engineering program on the Eastern Shore.

The degree has long been sought by area business and industrial leaders as well as university officials, including the chancellor of the University System of Maryland, Dr. Donald Langenberg.

"We think this will have a major economic and social impact on our region," said Dolores Spikes, president of the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

"This is an excellent example of collaboration between the three campuses," said Salisbury State University President William



Merwin. President William Merwin signs engineering cooperative with UMES and College Park.

campus setting with individual attention and a fine liberal arts education coupled with a nationally ranked engineering program."

"This partnership represents an innovation in the teaching of engineering that, I am confident, will become a national model for distance learning," said Dr. William Kirwan, president of the University of Maryland College Park. Graduating students' diplomas will be from UMCP.

In the Memorandum of Understanding signed at a gala ceremony hosted by UMES, the three presidents moved to have classes begin here by fall 1998. Students at SSU and UMES will continue to take their freshman and sophomore year requirements at their home campuses. During their junior and senior years they will enroll in UMCP's Clark School of Engineering. Their upper division classes from College Park will then be transmitted via Interactive Video to the two Eastern Shore institutions, permitting students to earn their degree in electrical engineering without crossing the Bay. The institutions will also collaborate in providing local academic support, such as laboratory experiences, on-site.

The program, patterned after one established between Frostburg State University and UMCP last year, will have approval from the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, the national accrediting agency.

Four other goals form the basis of the collaboration: The program must provide a seamless quality engineering education, avoid unnecessary education, incorporate undergraduate research opportunities and develop close partnerships with industry and government.

Surveys by the Eastern Shore universities revealed a pronounced need for engineering training on the Shore. "With microwave, microelectronics and telecommunications industries moving to the lower Shore, we are developing into a mini-Silicon Valley," said SSU Provost Phil Creighton. "The needs are most pronounced."

UMES and SSU are only 12 miles apart. Students will be traveling in both directions to take classes and labs at one another's campuses, said Dr. Marc Wilson, chair of UMES's Department of Engineering and Airway Science.

"The cooperation between the campuses has been exemplary," Creighton added.

PFISTERIA, from front page

concrete knowledge on pfisteria, authorities are limited in their

attempts to control the problem.

The outbreak of pfisteria in Pocomoke has hurt the city's seafood and tourism industries as well as statewide seafood sales. In addition, the state government is funding research into the fish kill problem and reimbursing watermen \$5 for every crab pot placed in the Pocomoke River at the time of the fish kills. The economic effect of pfisteria will continue to increase if the problem spreads toward other river systems on the Eastern Shore.

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources urges anyone who has seen a fish kill or

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Homecoming 1997 seeks to start tradition

Ralph Lusby
Flyer Staff Writer

Homecoming 1997 is quickly approaching SSU and there will be a myriad of activities and new traditions for students to take part in.

The theme of homecoming is "Common Threads," in reference to the recently opened Commons building. The event is being coordinated by the Office of Alumni Relations and the Student Government Association (SGA). This year, homecoming will take place the weekend of September 26-28, with a wide variety of activities being planned for all to enjoy. The weekend is packed with events intended to appeal to students and alumni alike.

"It's one big party for all ages," said Nancy Wagner, Director of Alumni Relations and co-chair of the homecoming planning committee. Homecoming is "a time to reminisce, to see the college today with all of its exciting additions," said Wagner.

The committee consists of members from a wide variety of campus groups and organizations including the athletic department, the Student Organization for Activity and Planning (SOAP), the Guerrieri University Center Office and the Office of Student Affairs.

The planning committee's main goal is to increase publicity and attendance. "We believe with the new format we will be able to provide events that will



Last year's homecoming king and queen coronation ceremonies.

Transfer students are left out in the cold

Michael Anderson
Flyer Staff Writer

Five hundred SSU transfer students were forced to find housing off campus when they were told that all residence halls had reached 100 percent capacity, according to information provided by the University's Admissions office and the office of Housing and Residence Life (HRL).

The students are part of a group of approximately 1,500 new students at SSU this year. The

number includes approximately 900 freshmen, which is 22 percent larger than previous incoming classes. More freshmen than usual were accepted this fall due to abnormally large graduating classes over the past few years, according to the Admission office.

The large freshman class, forced HRL to place new students wherever they would fit, including upperclassmen residence halls. Assistant Director of Housing and Residence Life Dave Gutoskey said, "Every space on this campus has been taken." Gutoskey estimated more than 10 percent of the freshmen class is living in buildings typically reserved for upperclassmen.

He said that SSU, unlike other regional colleges, will not increase the number of students living in a dorm room to more than what the room was designed to hold.

Even though residence halls are completely full, the University was able to fulfill its promise of guaranteed housing to those students who paid their deposit on time. Students who did not pay their deposit on time were placed on a waiting list. The waiting list peaked at several

hundred students, but was consistent with previous waiting lists.

Transfer students, like freshmen, are guaranteed housing on campus, but that guarantee expires when more than one hundred transfer students are offered housing. Dean of Admissions Jane Dane explained that, unlike the May 1 deposit deadline for freshmen, there is no specific date associated with the transfer students.

To help transfer students find housing, SSU invited local off campus housing providers to the University during transfer students' registration days in order to give them every opportunity to find housing near the University. In addition to the usual off campus housing properties available, transfer students this year had an opportunity to move into Seagull Village, a new apartment complex recently constructed very close to campus.

A brand new pair of apartment buildings, Seagull Village opened this year and is located minutes from Salisbury State, across Route 13.

Approximately 100 new Salisbury students, almost entirely transfer students, are now living in Seagull Village in three-person apartment units. The students living there are excited to live there, but said that Seagull Village apartments have several temporary drawbacks, such as the absence of telephones and mailboxes and the presence of noisy construction work. However, students residing in the complex were pleased with the apartments and the \$235 per month rent payment.

Seagull Village is one of the few residence sites for Salisbury students located across Rt. 13, but that could change as the university grows.



Seagull Village apartments provided much needed relief to crowded on campus housing.

Students launch drive on internet

National Student
News Service

A coalition of student leaders from U.S. PIRG, the U.S. Student Association (USSA) and Rock the Vote, joined prominent senators in Washington, D.C. to launch a campaign on the internet demanding that Congress "eliminate financial barriers to college education."

In a press conference last April, Senate Minority leader Tom Daschle (D-SD) and Senators Kennedy (D-MA), Boxer (D-CA) and Reed (D-RI) lauded the efforts of the students and pledged their commitment to higher education.

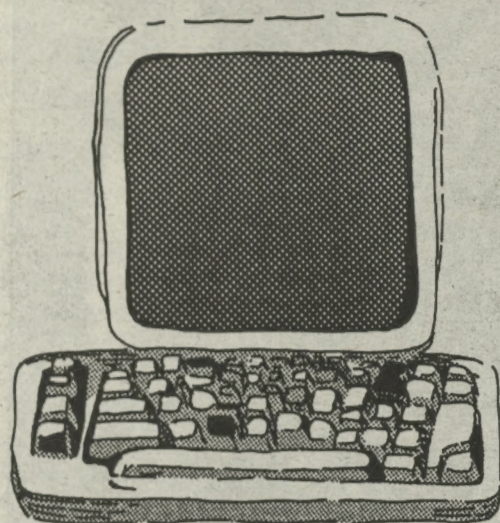
"We're going to work together to make sure that education is a priority in this budget," said Boxer.

Last March, President Clinton submitted higher education budget proposals to Congress which included increasing Pell Grants and generating tax credits for some families with college students. The budget has yet to be approved by Congress.

"Currently, higher education is considered an expenditure rather than an investment," said Kristen Brengal, a senior at Rutgers University and Chair of the New Jersey PIRG student chapters. "Congress must

show a commitment to investing in our future by passing a budget that supports higher education."

Although not in attendance, Senator Olympia Snowe (R-VT) issued a statement in support of the effort: "I cannot think of a greater issue for the future of this country than to provide adequate funding for higher education."



Utilizing links on the World Wide Web, students are encouraged to sign the petition to Congress to increase financial aid, reduce the cost of student

loans and "provide significant relief to low and middle income students."

"This web petition is a new tool for students who have been organizing to keep the doors of college open to all," said Kazim Ali, president of USSA.

As part of the publicity to reach out to college students, the MTV-spawned organization Rock The Vote will be promoting the website: www.pirg.org/student/aid/petition on MTV, on radio stations and through several popular musicians. Such artists as Chuck D from Public Enemy and singer Shawn Colvin have recorded radio ads.

"Through this web petition, we can generate a strong message to Congress," said Mark Strama, program director for Rock The Vote.

The website can be reached through many links-including the U.S. Congress, the student organizations and MTV- at www.pirg.org/student/aid/petition.

Faced with thousands of dollars of debt upon her graduation from Rutgers next month, Brengal said, "Unfortunately, my story is all too common and many of my peers suffer from even greater horror stories. That is why we are launching this effort."

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Students deserve a real agenda to fulfill pompous promises

Kenna Brigham
Editor in Chief

Now that all the ceremonies and inaugurations are over, it's time to get down to the nitty-gritty. The students of SSU not only want, but deserve an agenda for all the grandiose promises that were made at the end of last semester.

All of those who were here for President William Merwin's inauguration were told that SSU would become a community of learning and civic engagement. There are banners hung around campus to remind us that we're a "Community of Promise." That's great, but how are we going to get there? You can set short term and long term goals, but you need a strategy in order to reach them.

Granted, it's the third week of September, but President Merwin has kept a pretty low profile so far. He wanted to see SSU evolve into a school rich with tradition. Where is it? The creation of a mace, emblem, medallion and flag doesn't constitute tradition. Fall Convocation was supposed to be a tradition, but it wasn't even publicized this year. This pseudo-tradition was even altered when the time was changed to 3:30 p.m. It was typically held at 10 a.m. before.

Merwin's goals, which were pretty vague to begin with, were based on University System of Maryland Chancellor Donald Langenberg's Strategic Plan for the entire system. That plan states that the system will increase enrollment by 20 percent (with greater student diversity) by 2002.

In a September 1996 interview, Merwin forecast SSU's growth to increase by three percent over the next five years. Is that still the estimated increase?

We don't want to wait for an academic long range plan, we want something now. It doesn't have to be a huge publication. All that we're asking is that you don't leave us in the dark. Tell us what's going to happen. It's our school too.

We would like the administration to address immediate concerns. For example, why is housing so crowded? Why do the computers keep crashing? Why doesn't the library open until noon on Sunday? Why isn't the gym open in the morning anymore?

Commons not quite up to expectations What did we get for all that money?

I don't know about you, but two weeks into the semester I have a couple of complaints that I'd like to vent. Well, okay, I have more than a couple, but I'll limit myself here to complaints about the Commons.

Is it just me, or does there appear to be less room in this new multi-million dollar building than there was in good 'ol Powell Dining Hall?

And why do we have five different dining rooms? You can't tell your friends to meet you at a table because you'll never find them again. I've lost people in the Marketplace it's so crowded. The drink line alone is stifling. I loved the fact that everyone ate together in one big room in Powell, it assured that I would see the football and rugby teams come in after practice. It was the highlight of my day.

With all the space that was supposed to be added, why did so much disappear? I miss having a myriad of cereals to choose from in the morning. There also used to be three bagel toasters, now there is only one and it's been perpetually broken. Maybe I come to brunch late on the weekends, but there are never any knives! Spreading cream cheese with a spoon is not all that easy.

During dinner I can't find the vegetables. It's great that there is a large number of food choices, but you have to wait in line at different stations in order to create your own meal if you don't like what the dining hall has designated as an entree.

Also, some areas in the building are not organized well. Why is it that people who are trying to

leave with their trays have to walk through people trying to enter the Marketplace? That's pretty stupid if you ask me. Oh, I forgot, no one asked me, they just asked for my tuition check.

What about the tray return? It's so agonizingly slow. You could miss a large portion of a class if you waited in the line rather than enter the exit



Students stand in long lines in the overly crowded Commons.

as most students are doing to save time. We never had that problem before. What's the hold up?

The locker situation doesn't work as well as the old system in Powell. What happened to those lockers? They were great, they had locks! I don't typically carry a master lock in my back pocket so that I can lock my book bag up while I eat.

The 50 cent locker reimbursement system worked much better. I'm just waiting for book bags to start disappearing from the overly crowded area where people randomly throw their books.

Now that I'm finished complaining, I do realize that the staff at the Commons is still trying to work out the kinks in the system, so there will be temporary problems for a while.

Just a suggestion, the next time a building is constructed with student money, why not allow a committee of regular students (not just SGA representatives) to peruse the construction plans before building it? Also, could you please buy more knives? I'd appreciate it.

Hopefully, someone high up in the administration might actually read this article and let us know how these problems are being addressed.

Former SGA executive offers critical analysis

Peter Smith
Special to The Flyer

Past issues of *The Flyer* have included features, commentaries and letters dealing with the Student Government Association (SGA). The purpose of this letter is not to launch further attacks on our SGA, but rather to provide critical analysis of our

SGA and to bring forth alternatives which are reasonable, practical and borne of common sense.

For the purpose of identifying problems with the SGA, we must ask what some of the most common complaints heard about the organization are. Well, for starters, "They are out of touch."

I would venture to say that this is a comment given at most levels of representation, be it here at SSU or within the federal government. Students just don't

feel adequately represented by the SGA and they believe the current representation is misguided. Poor representation begets poor democratic process.

Another comment I've heard is: "How can you say the SGA uses a democratic framework when, come election time, everyone runs unopposed?" That also raises questions about the accountability of those

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elected, officers or senators. Those who wield power seemingly go unchecked, for whatever reason.

Unfortunately, a problem such as this can be engaged realistically in only two ways, either within the SGA in terms of increased competition by those qualified to run for and hold elected office or by increased voter turn out and voter initiative to "write in" qualified individuals.

It is up to the SGA to follow its own constitution and bylaws. Article III of the bylaws of the SGA's constitution states that there shall be an elections committee and that advertisements shall be placed asking for nominations.

The general statement includes the stipulation that the elections committee shall be formed prior to the elections, but does not state exactly what prior means. It could be a week, two days or a month. If the elections committee does not get moving soon enough to get the word out to the students, they will be making uninformed decisions come election time. When the committee must be formed should be explicitly stated in the constitution, not generally stated in the bylaws.

People take issue with the fact that the SGA has taken a more active role socially. By this I mean using money appropriated for the fiscal year (funds appropriated by the Appropriations Board that come from student activities fees) to sponsor events such as free baseball tickets, co-sponsor a social event on campus or to have concerts.

There are those who say that this should not be the role of the SGA. The thousands of dollars appropriated annually (these numbers are available to the public, by the way) to the SGA should be used to fund more worthwhile programs and initiatives.

I've heard that things get lost in the shuffle when it gets to the SGA. There is an input, but on output; no final product, a lack of productivity. This is probably a result of a poor committee structure, one in which every committee member is basically an ad-hoc

member, which could call into question the committee member's dedication. This could be solved with a solid committee structure and strong administrative procedure.

Perhaps the biggest and most profound complaint I have heard is in regard to the tie of club status and budgeting with attendance at the SGA meetings. What I hear most often in this respect is the cry, "If I wanted to know about the SGA or if I wanted to go to the SGA meetings, I would have joined the SGA. What do they do for me anyway that would make meeting attendance mandatory?"

Now, that the problems have been laid out for us, maybe we can get to some possible solutions. At the core of the SGA's problems is how it conducts day to day business. It isn't the personalities in control of the organization, but the structure under which they are allowed to operate. Let's see if we can't map out a structure, not necessarily a new one, but perhaps a modified one, that makes the SGA more responsive to the students.

First, they are not in touch. The SGA has indeed been trying to address this problem for quite some time, but with what level of tenacity have measures been implemented and followed up? This is the heart of maintaining a constituency - being responsive. You know, the SGA, to its credit, has held poorly attended discussion forums on various topics.

That's a publicity problem which the SGA has known about and tried to fix. The rest of that is our fault. That's right, we probably saw something about a meeting or heard an announcement somewhere and pretty much blew it off, most likely for lack of caring. The best way to stay in touch, though, is just to talk to people. Take a minute and listen to what the issues are. They are out there. There is never really a dearth of issues and the SGA shouldn't pretend that there is one.

Second, the role of the SGA is questionable. The SGA's constitution does a good job of generating a list of broad duties. These include representation of students and their interests before faculty and administration, oversight of clubs and organizations,

ensuring the rights and responsibilities of students and working to improve the overall quality of student life at SSU.

These are all very noble goals. It's just difficult to see where the concerts and ball games come into play. Perhaps a sharper focus within the SGA on necessary functions would be useful and less of a focus on getting that one band that's pretty good but no one's heard of to come to SSU to play a show that will merely draw a small crowd.

Third, the SGA should consider an administrative procedure. They should go with standing committees which deal with a certain type of issue and policy areas. They should meet regularly and have members who show up for every scheduled meeting and have valuable knowledge, skills and abilities to bring to the table. When the new SGA senators come aboard, a list of their interests and skills should be given to the executive council, not as a condition for involvement, but for the purpose of appropriately placing the individual in a committee.

Issues should be then introduced to the SGA in the form of a problem in order for them to develop policy toward it, with the possibility of a bill or resolution introduced to be voted on. Once a policy direction is decided upon, it should then be delegated to the proper standing committee and committees given a deadline for presentation of its findings to the SGA. A vote should then be taken to adopt the findings or to send it back to the committee for adjustments. This may be a slow process, but it will air out all sides of debate and be democratic.

Finally, most clubs and organizations are by now well aware of the requirement imposed by the SGA of attendance at a determined number of SGA general assemblies in order to maintain club status, budgeting and room reservations. One should hope that the SGA is likewise assured that if it does not meet certain criteria, it too will lose its standing as an organization.

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Student Government Association

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Tuition increase becomes a priority

To the Editor:

On October 3, the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents is scheduled to act on the budget request and tuition rates for the fiscal year 1999. As you may know, recent debate surrounding the proposed tuition increases has highlighted the economic realities confronting the System. Because Board action on tuition rates typically occurs in August, students have a historic opportunity to express their opinions and views to our elected officials on this important issue. **Thus, I urge you to immediately contact your Student Government Association (SGA) to find out how you can request our state officials to provide increased funding for the System in order to keep tuition rates low.**

As you get involved in the debate regarding tuition increases, please be aware of the following details. Due to the large number of high school students expected to enter our schools and the technological advancements that our institutions are undertaking to provide the best possible education, the costs of educating students have been escalating. Furthermore, the System must be aggressive in improving the quality of education, attract and retain the best faculty member and provide for the latest educational advancements.

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The SGA serves an oversight function for the clubs and organizations, but who serves the oversight function for the SGA? You could say that the students do because in essence, we are supposed to vote them into office, but by the time elections come around, the SGA has already gone through one half of the fiscal year (when funds are appropriated) and blaming potentially responsible SGA officers for the actions of their predecessors is hardly appropriate.

The question still remains, how can the SGA oversee the clubs and organizations without getting anyone upset? Currently the SGA represents the student body by class. The constitution states that each senatorial class shall consist of no less than four members, meaning a minimum of 16 senators shall make up the senate.

The number of senators should total eight. Two senators per class, period. All other SGA members should be representatives of clubs and organizations. There is plenty of room for interpretation here. These clubs may be grouped or clustered into categories that indicate their function(s) or they may be represented individually. These representatives would be SGA members and would convene as a group regularly as the House of Representatives, chaired by the Speaker of the House.

These representatives would then present their constituent club's views and interests to the House of Representatives and general assembly and vote in accordance with those views. What this does is it brings the SGA to the clubs instead of forcing the clubs to come to the SGA. It keeps the SGA in touch, allows for oversight of the

The value of your diploma and your readiness to enter the work force and obtain high paying jobs is directly dependent on these initiatives. With limited state support, the only solution for funding these measures is through tuition increases.

But please do not think that neither I nor the Board of Regents forget about the effect that tuition rates have upon you. Because I pay my own tuition, I am painfully aware of what a tuition increase does to my pocketbook. Thus, I will be presenting several proposals to protect student interests. First, the System should maintain statistics on the number of students that transfer, change to part time status or who do not enroll after a tuition increase. These statistics will allow the Board to be aware of how tuition affects students. Second, the System must ensure that it uses every dollar wisely and efficiently. Tuition increases cannot be justified if current resources are not used in the best possible ways. I will be presenting proposals on these two issues to protect student interests.

However, the System has little choice when state support has not kept up with increasing costs. Thus, please contact your SGA to find out how you can make the case to state legislators that the state must find additional resources to decrease tuition rates. Because the System does much to enhance the quality of life in the state and the System seeks to achieve national eminence, increased state support must be the

key. Please do not wait to act! As always, please feel free to pass on your thoughts to me at the following:

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Value of an education in question

To the Editor:

On October 3 the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents will take action on next year's proposed USM budget and tuition levels. The tuition issue has received considerable attention in the media, from students and from political leaders. And with good reason. Any tuition increase is an unwelcome addition to the already costly enterprise of financing a college education. No one knows that better than you parents and those of you who are footing your own college bill.

The Regents are deeply committed to keeping college costs affordable—so committed, in fact, that affordability is explicitly mandated in our tuition

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proposal. If the proposal means a dramatic difference in the way clubs are allowed to operate or imposes some kind of significant hardship upon the clubs, then the clubs shall submit impact statements and the SGA shall conduct an impact assessment.

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Fantasy and reality meet at the Commons

Andrea Brown-Hurley
Flyer Staff Writer

Dubbed the Taj Mahal by campus cynics, the \$20 million, 100,000 square foot Commons building at the southeastern corner of SSU's campus is stirring up wide reaction from the campus community. And then there are some who are still speechless.

Senior Stacey Hutchinson entered the architectural giant in search of the Book Rack and found herself in the shadow of the huntress Diana. "It was," said Hutchinson, "like being lost in a museum."

Indeed, the clackety-clack of footsteps on marble, sunlight pouring through immense windows and staircases curving gracefully into landings overlooking the golden statue of Diana are reminiscent of childhood field trips to the Smithsonian, *Gone With the Wind* or that one room in Grandma's house that you were never allowed to enter.

The difference is that the Commons, paid for by student activity fees and auxiliary funding, is here, now and totally accessible.

"The physical environment has a powerful impact on learning and on the sense of community," said Barry King, assistant vice president of student affairs. King said that the atmosphere at the Commons



The Flyer/Erin Reiser

The north entrance to the Commons.

transcends the "institutional feel" of the traditional campus dining experience.

"Same food in a better building," said senior Donovan Leone, who compared the Commons to a

hotel. "But," added Leone, "I think it's neat that they're trying to make the campus better." "Gorgeous," said junior Waydene Kidd. "But is it stable?"

"Fancy," said senior Stephanie Pellicano. "But why couldn't the money have been used for a parking lot?"

"Chaotic," said sophomore Heather Defibaugh. "It seems like there's less seating than at Powell Dining Hall."

"Like, wow!," said freshman Tim Bauer of Pocomoke Hall. "But why can't we take food out?"

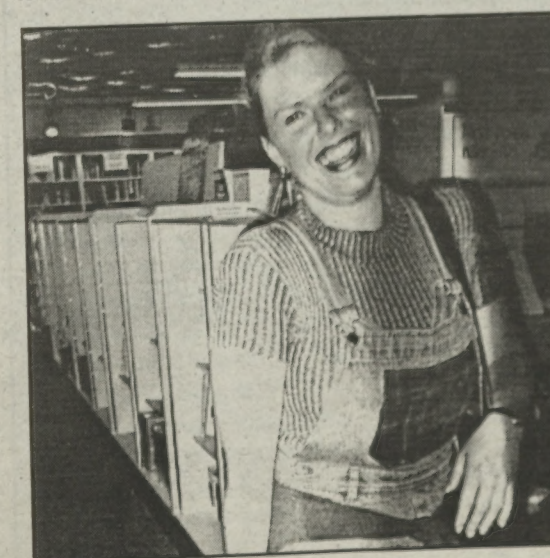
Clearly, the Commons is sparking interest and provoking questions among SSU's student population. While some languish in the gilded Diana's shadow, welcoming the temporary reprieve from the rigors of study, others are too busy trying to find a parking space to take such a break. And while some enjoy the variety offered by Dining Service's many kiosks, others long for a healthy, balanced, home-cooked meal.

And then there are some who are still speechless.

Snapshots from a day in the Commons

Heather Crutchfield
Flyer Staff Writer

The Commons was under construction when I first visited SSU as a high school senior on a campus tour, three years ago. The building process looked to be well under way and I figured I'd be in the



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Senior Birgitte van der Heijden braves the new Book Rack.

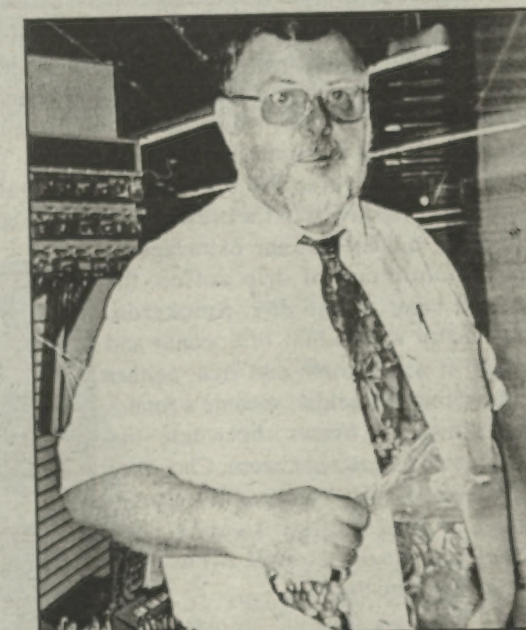
new dining hall before the start of my second year at SSU. Boy was I wrong, and so were many others who anticipated the completion of the Commons with the excitement of a child on Christmas morning.

Finally, this past July, I entered the hallowed halls of the palatial building for the first time. My eyes wide with amazement, I took it all in: the grand cathedral ceilings and marble tile floors, halls bedecked with oversized corinthian columns that seemed to stretch into infinity. Our wait over, the campus could now enjoy the fruits of the long and expensive adventure.

Last week I decided to spend a day hanging out at the Commons, to see what really went on behind those towering walls and if people liked whatever that was.

At 8 a.m. the casual breakfast crowd was thin and seemed to enjoy the atmosphere as much as anyone could that early in the morning. Nothing was all too exciting and I went back to bed. Perhaps the afternoon would prove more interesting.

At about 1:30, the Book Rack was full. By 2 p.m., three brave cashiers were servicing students in lines that seemed endless. Senior Birgitte van der Heijden was attempting to purchase books for her recently added classes. "I can't get any of my books, I'm sad," she said as she searched the book shelves for even one of her required textbooks.



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Guerrieri University Center Director Dave Ganoe clutches his beloved jelly beans.

Despite her inability to find her materials, van der Heijden did have praise for the new building. "They were able to integrate it nicely," she said, "The snacks

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Catch a (caffeinated) buzz at Beanie's



The Flyer/Pamela Raitt

A patron enjoys a midday break at Beanie's.

Pamela Raitt
Features Editor

I had just returned to Salisbury after a summer spent in several pretty swanky cities, where all you need to do to find a coffee bar is go to the corner and turn right (I mean it, any corner). I was ready to suffer through another semester of wanna-be joe in this coffee clueless town when I saw Beanie's, the new coffeehouse that has taken up the large storefront that was once home to Flipside Records, a few doors down from Nacho Peté's on the left and Fratelli's on the right.

Would I finally be able to drink a real latte? Would Sunday morning be punctuated yet again by the smell of a robust brew of fine Colombian? I decided to take a friend and find out what it's like to catch a (caffeinated) buzz at Beanie's.

When you first walk into its truly cavernous space, Beanie's doesn't look like a typical coffeehouse. The decor is a hodge podge of second-hand furniture and some decidedly unusual paintings by local artists, hung on crimson colored walls. But on closer inspection I found one of my favorite "typical coffeehouse" items: eclectic magazines. If you're looking for last month's issue of *Civilization*, *Pulse* or DC's *City Paper*, Beanie's has it. They also have board games like Yahtzee and Scrabble and the flea market furniture is really quite comfortable, reminiscent of high school nights in a friend's basement.

But of course the real question for coffee aficionados is, just what's brewing at Beanie's? I started my midday caffeine extravaganza with a simple cup of drip coffee, the flavored brew of the day, Snickeroo. Mildly nutty with a hint of coconut and caramel, it was smooth and rich, neither overpowering nor acidic. Beanie's rotates their flavored brews between the Snickeroo and Hazelnut Cream, Chocolate Irish Cream, French Vanilla and Bavarian Strudel. And unlike swanky city coffeebars, Beanie's will brew your favorite flavor by the cup.

Next we sampled an assortment of blended drinks, including a Cappuccino, a Milky Way (a mocha latte with a shot of caramel) and a Cherry Bomb (latte with cherry and vanilla syrup). My friend quickly pronounced the Cappuccino "perfect," saying that it tasted "just like biting into a coffee bean." I'd coffee loving crowd.

skip the Cherry Bomb, which, with its double shot of syrups, was far too sweet. The Milky Way is just right. It tastes like a slightly bitter hot chocolate with just a touch of caramel.

But what if you visit Beanie's in the mood for something cold? The Chillie Beanie would be my choice for the waning days of Indian summer. A special frozen confection of ice cream, milk, chocolate and espresso, it is smooth but not too creamy, with the bite of the espresso and the sweetness of the chocolate in perfect harmony. Beanie's will put any of their coffee drinks on ice and their menu also features Italian sodas (your choice of 15 syrups with seltzer water) and ice cream sodas (chocolate, vanilla or strawberry ice cream with seltzer and syrup). I tried a raspberry syrup/vanilla ice cream soda, a successful marriage of seltzer's zing and raspberry's tang, both mellowed by the creamy vanilla.

Cutting back on your caffeine intake? Beanie's has a fully stocked refrigerated case of sodas and sport drinks and they also have an array of teas (the herbals don't have caffeine) and three kinds of hot chocolate.

The menu lists vegetarian quiche (they were fresh out when I visited), chips and salsa and sandwiches. My friend and I split a turkey and provolone sandwich, pretty much standard fare but with fresh ingredients. I'd recommend that they experiment with some different breads or mustards to distinguish themselves from some of Salisbury's other sandwich makers.

Beanie's will expand their food menu in the next few weeks to include nachos, hummus and pita and vegetarian sandwiches. The unfailingly nice staff are open to suggestions from the hungry SSU masses, so if you've got a favorite snack, let them know. You just might find it on the menu on your next visit.

And so I left Beanie's and headed home to catch up on some reading and do some laundry. I was unusually productive. I decided to vacuum for the first time in months. My cat hid under the bed. I guess that fifth espresso drink is almost always a mistake.

Beanie's also offers entertainment, open-mike poetry readings are Sunday and Wednesday nights, open-mike music nights are Friday and Saturday and game tournaments on Thursdays. Beanie's is located in the Allenwood Shopping Center at 1310 Route 13 South.



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Beanie's, just south of SSU on Route 13 hopes to attract Salisbury's

Before you down that third latte with an extra shot of espresso, here's what the medical world has to say about how caffeine affects the body.

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- increases body temperature
- increases basal metabolic rate
- limits glucose metabolism
- increases urine flow
- can produce abnormal heart rhythms
- increases blood sugar levels

Where we get it:

- swallowed or as tablet/capsule medication
- eaten in chocolate
- also found in migraine and other headache treatments, pain relievers (Anacin, Excedrin, Midol), muscle relaxants, allergy/cold treatments, diuretics and anti-drowse products (No Doz, Vivarin)

Other effects:

- poor sleep — insomnia/shortens sleep time/reduces depth of sleep, increases early dream state sleep/reduces later dream state sleep
- digestion — increases secretion of gastric acids
- mental health — can induce symptoms of anxiety, depression, nervousness
- Central Nervous System — headaches, dizziness, tremors

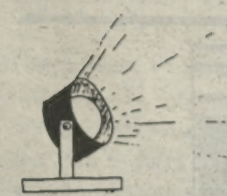
How much is in there?

The caffeine content of six ounces of coffee varies from 65 mg. for instant coffee to as high as 180 mg. for drip coffee. Soft drinks range in content from 30 mg. to 60 mg. per 12 ounce can.

For more information contact Student Health Services at 543-6262.

Courtesy of Jennifer Berkman, Student Health Services.

Spotlight on Jody Morrison and Haven Simmons



Emily Argo
Flyer Staff Writer

Each week in Spotlight, Emily Argo ventures out into SSU's hallowed halls of academia in search of professorial profiles.

Over the last two weeks, SSU freshmen have been meeting new people, learning the computer system and adjusting to class schedules. Alongside them Jody Morrison, new assistant professor of communication arts and Haven Simmons, new visiting assistant professor of communication arts have been doing the same.

"I feel like I have come home," said Baltimore native Morrison, whose family vacationed in Ocean City when she was a child. Morrison received her undergraduate degree in mass communication at Towson State University in 1984 and continued on to the University of Maryland at College Park to work toward her master's degree in speech communication. It was there, at age 22, that she began her career as an educator, teaching courses at both UMCP and Goucher College in Baltimore.

After receiving her master's, Morrison spent several years working as the training and development coordinator for the Red Cross, continuing to teach part time. Eventually she enrolled in the Ph.D. program in rhetoric and communication at Temple University in Philadelphia. Again she taught, this time at Temple and nearby LaSalle University. In 1997, upon completion of her degree work, Morrison was ready for a permanent tenure track position, which she found at SSU.

Morrison was attracted to SSU because of the good reputation of the communication arts department. She said she was surprised that SSU had openings because it is a very popular university among educators. "I never thought I had a shot at coming to SSU," Morrison explained.

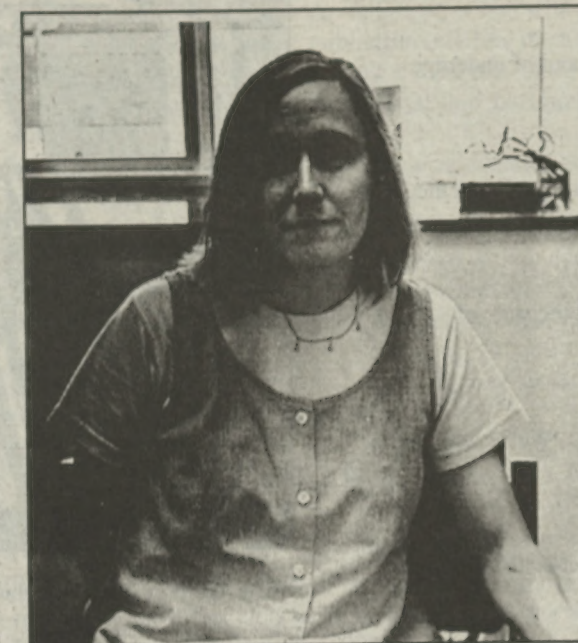
Morrison teaches fundamentals of communication and interpersonal communication. She said that so far, SSU's students are upholding their reputation for being dedicated, responsible students. She feels that the students take course work seriously and expect a lot from their professors. "I especially like it when students challenge me, textbook authors and one another, instead of just soaking up information like sponges," Morrison said.

In her first class meetings, she has experienced a great deal of classroom participation. Morrison remarked, "I am encouraging my students to appreciate that their voices in the classroom are important."

Morrison is very student oriented and hopes to become involved with a student organization or a social club. Morrison, who has special interest in multicultural programs and volunteerism, is still trying to learn about all of the activities that are offered at SSU. She said, "I want to join something where I can be a positive influence."

Morrison's long term goals include having her research published, teaching exciting courses and being an effective advisor. She emphasizes that her main goal is to help students achieve their goals. Morrison's current endeavor, to which many SSU students can relate, is trying to master the campus computer system.

Morrison is trying to get a feel for how the University works and how the faculty, as a whole, relates. Even while becoming involved in the campus community, interacting with students and meeting faculty members, Morrison hasn't overlooked one of SSU's most desirable perks, "It is close to the beach!"



The Flyer/Erin Reiser

One of SSU's newest faculty members, Jody Morrison vacationed in Ocean City as a child.

With three sections of introduction to mass media and one section of writing for broadcasting, Simmons has already had the chance to meet many students and to witness a lot of discussion and enthusiasm in his classes. In broadcast writing, he is teaching his students to work on deadlines and hopes to stage some mock press conferences. In introduction to mass media, Simmons is giving his students an overview of the field and is teaching them to scrutinize what they encounter in the media. "I have fun students and I am looking forward to the rest of the semester," Simmons said.

Simmons has had extensive experience in the field of mass communications. He has covered both news and sports for newspaper and television. While living in South Florida, he worked as a sportscaster for the ten o'clock news on several television stations.

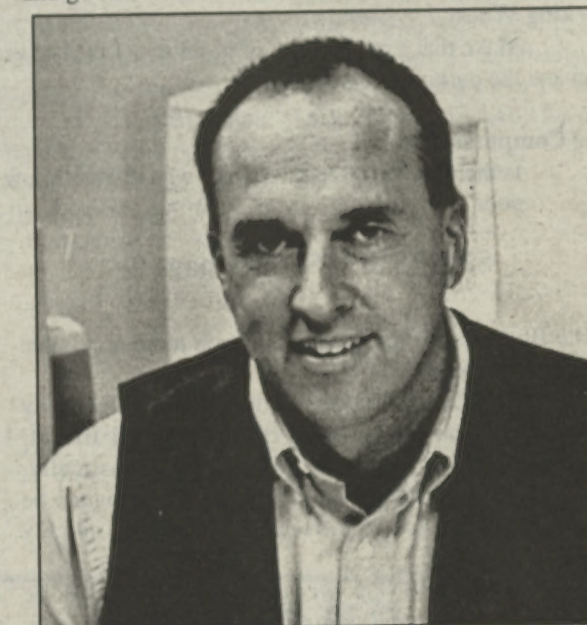
As a government spokesman, Simmons dealt with the media and public officials. "I hope to combine my practical experience and my enthusiasm for teaching [to become an effective instructor]," Simmons said.

Simmons earned his bachelor's degree in political science and history in 1977 at Cornell College in Iowa. In 1988, he earned a master's degree in journalism at the University

of Iowa. He also earned his Ph.D. in mass communication from the University of Iowa in 1992.

Simmons taught part-time for eight years, dividing his time at the University of Iowa, University of South Florida and Manatee Community College. During the summers, Simmons taught media relations for the Federal Emergency Management Agency. He instructed the agency's employees on how to deal with the media during times of national crisis.

Simmons, who describes SSU as a truly student oriented institution, hopes to become involved in some university committees. He has particular interests in working with international students and working to develop a center for teaching excellence. His long term goals include researching the relationship between law enforcement agencies and the media. He hopes to be a highly effective teacher, mentor and an expert in mass communication, particularly in media and government relations.

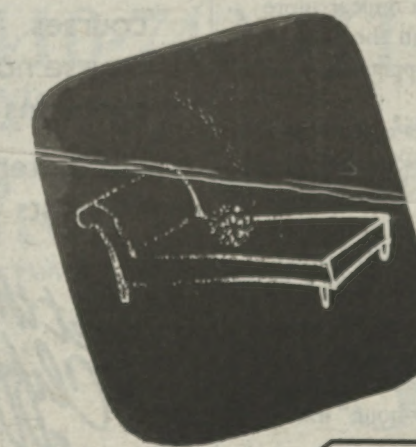


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Haven Simmons teaches mass media and writing for broadcasting at SSU.

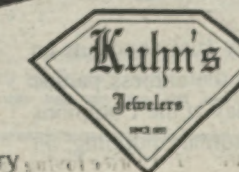
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Diana, the Princess

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Diana, the Dining Hall Huntress

She's naked, she's gold, and if that's not enough to kill your appetite, we paid for her.

Pfisteria

Don't worry, it's restricted to a small area. We call it the state of Maryland.

Parking Woes

Make that a community of promises. Like last year's, "We're working to alleviate the parking problem."

The Computer Network

Is there anyone left on campus who doesn't know what a 404 file error code is?

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[at the Book Rack] are great, it's much more accessible for people without cars."

Dave Gano, director of the Guerrieri University Center also praised the new Book Rack. "I like it, especially the jelly beans!" he said enthusiastically. Though Gano thinks the Book Rack could be bigger, he is glad for the space to move around and the quickly moving lines.

I decided to skip over to the post office and see how the campus mail employees liked their new facilities. The new post office boasts more mailboxes and a larger area for the public, as well as for the employees. "I have a lot more room, the mailboxes actually work and it's a lot cleaner," said Carl Dise, supervisor of the campus post office.

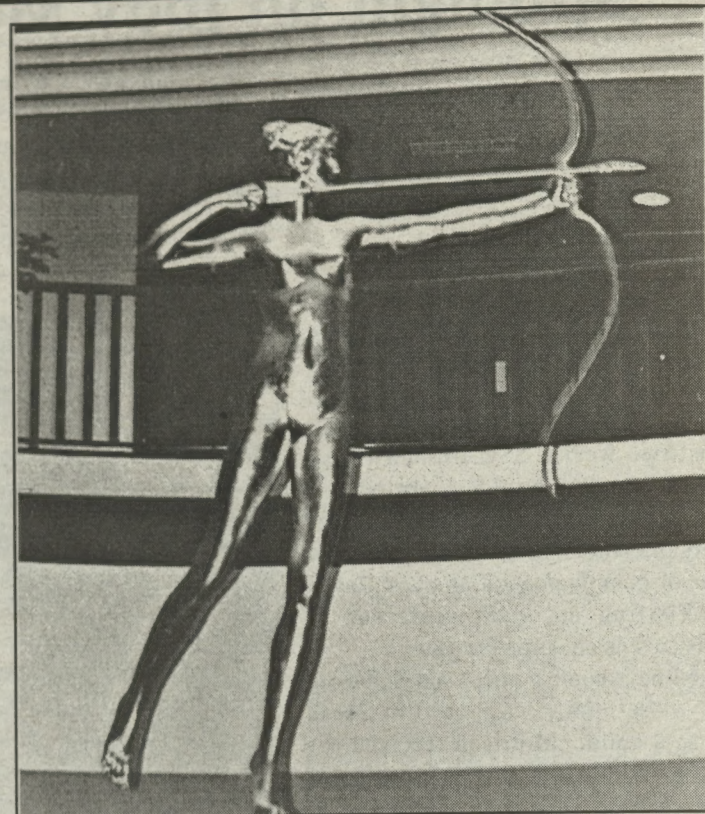
Cleaner, supposedly, because of the new recycling bins for paper and aluminum that are placed directly across from the mailboxes. This provides an outlet for trashing all the junk mail that accumulates in student boxes overnight, while being kind to the environment.

With wide hallways and open architecture that allows a lot of light in to make the area appear more spacious, students don't constantly run the risk of colliding with each other as sometimes happens in other campus buildings.

Upstairs in the Commons there is a very quiet office area with several conference rooms, including a large teleconference room. There is also a small balcony that overlooks the main dining room and an open space to look down on the statue of Diana, the Huntress, (possibly so chosen to strike fear in the hearts of students who might try to smuggle an apple past the cashiers).

At 5:30 p.m., students begin to trickle in for dinner. There is virtually no line and one really won't form before 6 p.m. Throughout the "dinner hour," traffic in the dining hall will remain heavy.

In all, as the hours pass by like sands in an hourglass, I grow weary of watching the endless parade of new tattoos and khaki shorts. The day at the Commons was rather common in all. An extraordinary building, an ordinary day.



"The naked bronze chick" holds sway over the new dining hall.

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three percent to seven percent across the university system's 11 campuses? Because along with affordability, we are equally committed to value. We want you to have the best college education that you can get in Maryland and we want to keep it affordable. We are doing everything in our power to bring you the best: to enhance the quality of the faculty, the classroom instruction, the research and the information technology so that you will have the best preparation possible in a highly competitive world. We want to make sure that your USM degree will substantially increase your ability to get a job after graduation and give you greater earning power over your lifetime. We want you to have an edge over everyone else out there. That is our mission. And it is a costly one. So how do we get there?

Here are a few of the ways we have been trying to hold the line on tuition. The chancellor and the USM presidents are working to find new ways to tighten the USM belt—to the tune of \$25 million next year. That's how much we will have to meet next year in unfunded operating costs system wide—which means tough choices about where and how to streamline operations. We are also working to increase our revenue from outside sources by 20 percent in the next four years. To do that we have to develop more funding opportunities—in grants and contracts, in partnerships with business interests and in private living. Last year, for the first time, we raised more than \$100 million in gifts. And next month we are launching a five year system wide capital campaign aimed at

raising \$700 million.

We also continue to petition state legislature to increase USM funding. But even with the governor's efforts on behalf of higher education, state funds accounted for only 31 percent of this year's USM budget. That's a considerable drop from the state's 44 percent share of our budget in the early 1990's. In fact, Maryland ranks only 33rd in the nation in per student support for higher education.

And even with the proposed increases, USM tuitional level remain moderate, falling at or below the middle of the pack among public universities in the Mid-Atlantic region. In recent years at least four of our campuses have shown up in regional and national rankings as "best values."

So when the Regents sit down on October 3, we will find a way to provide you with the kind of education you deserve, at the most affordable price possible. It won't be easy and in trying to balance quality and cost, we all will feel the squeeze. But we think a USM education is still in a good deal for the money.

Lance W. Billingsley
Chairman, USM Board of Regents

Ellen and the five slies

To the Editor:

Ellen, Queen of Slots. That's Ms. Sauerbrey, since her recent statement that slots at horse tracks may have to be "considered" after the 1998 election. Unlike Governor Glendening, Ellen is clearly soft on slots. She has succumbed to five "slies," big falsehoods put out by the slots/casino interest. She neglects five "struths."

Slie #1: "Slots at tracks won't turn them into casinos." Struth: Slots are 70 percent of a casino operation and Maryland's tracks are rapidly being bought up by casino companies. Slie #2: "Slots will build purses big enough to attract horse owners enough to save the tracks." Struth: Horse tracks are a dying business in Maryland that the casino operators will phase out. Horse racing is so mired in habit that it can't even imagine how to increase its appeal, such as adding some theme park rides to make itself family-friendly. Slie #3: "The tracks have to be saved to save the horse farms." Struth: Maryland's 900 horse farms produce horses for working, riding, shows, steeplechases, polo and export. Slie #4: "Casinos will pay tax to the state." Struth: Yes, they will, somewhere between five and 19 percent of their profits, but the revenue will be consumed in casino regulation and in relieving the social cancers the casinos will breed. Slie #5: "Slots/casinos are inevitable in Maryland after the 1998 election." Struth: We disestablished them in 1964. Why can't we prevent their reestablishment in 1999?

Poor Ms. Sauerbrey! However, it isn't the first time she has been hornswoggled by the casino interest. A few years ago, as an assemblywoman, she was duped into sponsoring a riverboat gambling bill. Undoubtedly, the first of these floating casinos would have been dubbed the "Queen Ellen." Let's play it safe. Let's keep hard-line Parris in office in 1998.

James A. Hoage

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On Campus

Football

The Sea Gulls were idle this past week. The undefeated Gulls who beat Ursinus two weeks ago 14-12. They will travel to Delaware Valley on Saturday.

Field Hockey

Bonnie Wilson's penalty stroke late in the second half gave the Sea Gulls the 1-0 win against Messiah last Saturday in their home opener. The Sea Gulls prepare for a huge week against Johns Hopkins and will host the Sea Gull Invitational this weekend. (story p. 18.)

Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team missed several opportunities in their game vs. Roanoke, losing 2-1 in the first round of the Salisbury State Classic. (story p. 15.)

Women's Soccer

It took the College of Notre Dame overtime to beat the Sea Gulls, 1-0. Diana Muto put home the winning goal 9:19 into the extra period. SSU was able to outshot the College of Notre Dame 10-5 and held a 7-3 edge in corner kicks.

Cross Country

The men and women's cross country teams prepare for this weekends CNU Captain's Classic in Newport News, VA.

Volleyball

The SSU volleyball team prepares for their home opener this Tuesday vs. Capital Athletic Conference (CAC) opponent Marymount University. The Sea Gulls traveled last weekend to Gettysburg, PA for the Gettysburg Invitational.



Shorebirds capture SAL Championship



Delmarva Shorebirds manager Tommy Shields greets Greensboro Bats manager Tom Nieto at home plate in game one of the SAL Championship Series in Salisbury.

Sam Atkinson
Sports Editor

The Delmarva Shorebirds did the unthinkable last week by winning the South Atlantic League (SAL) Championship. As they swept the Greensboro Bats in the best-of-three championship series 2-0. Not only were the Shorebirds on the fence to make the playoffs to begin with but they won the championship in only the second year of the club's history.

The Shorebirds defeated the Bats 8-1 in the second game of the series at War Memorial Stadium in Greensboro.

Sea Gulls miss opportunities Men's soccer falls to Roanoke, 2-1

Brian Burden
Flyer Sports Writer

The SSU men's soccer team started slow and failed to finish off as they fell to Roanoke College, 2-1, in the first round of the Salisbury State University Soccer Classic.

The Sea Gull defense was forced to play on their heels in the first half as a relentless Roanoke attack produced many opportunities. Sophomore Andy Newton scored for Roanoke midway through the first half. He was

North Carolina. The Birds scored three first-inning runs, thanks to first baseman Calvin Pickering's two-run blast, his third of the playoffs.

Second baseman Carlos Casimiro had a huge night as his three-run home run off of Bats' reliever Richard

Oliver sealed the championship for Delmarva. Casimiro led the Birds with four RBIs as Pickering was close behind with his three-RBI night.

It was a tough night for the Bats as they had to face the Shorebird's ace in the playoffs, starting pitcher Maximo Heredia. Heredia pitched six and a third innings, striking out eight and walking one. With the win Heredia improved his stunning playoff record to 3-0 with a very impressive ERA of 1.75. Gabe Molina came in to close out the game as he struck out Bats designated hitter Scott Seabol, with that Molina received the traditional team

pile-on at the pitchers mound.

Game one of the series was played here in Salisbury as the Shorebirds won the game 4-2. Third baseman Ryan

Minor of Delmarva started off the game in the bottom of the first with a towering two-run home run off of the top row of advertising down the third base line. Minor, the 1997 SAL Top Prospect, had been in a tremendous slump as he had struck out 14 times in 22 at-bats in the playoffs.

"I was looking for a hit. I had been swinging at bad pitches but this home run helped me a lot," said Minor after game one of the championships.

The Shorebirds received excellent help from their pitchers in game one. John Parrish, Molina, Scott Eibey and Ryan Kohlmeier silenced Greensboro as they combined to strike out 16 batters, including a string of seven in a row. Winning pitcher Molina struck out seven batters in three

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assisted by sophomore Adam Birch and junior Kevin Goodwin. Salisbury produced chances at the end of the first half, but failed to convert.

"That was our biggest problem throughout the game," SSU Coach Gerry DiBartolo said. "We moved the ball around solidly but we couldn't convert."

The second half started well for a charged up Sea Gull squad. They had some strong first touches and were able to force the Roanoke defense to play more man to man. Junior forward Mike Giuffrida scored the equalizer off a beautiful corner kick from junior forward Kevin Rhodes.

The expected surge that should have resulted from

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innings of work as Kohlmeier picked up his fourth save of the playoffs by striking out catcher Victor Valencia.

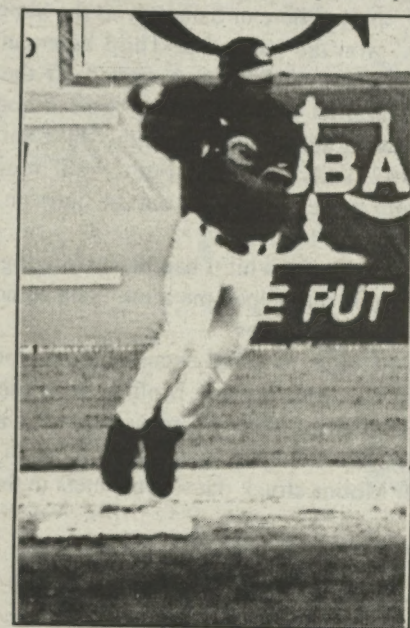
"I told the guys that we are the team to beat ever since the beginning of the year," said Manager Tommy Shields of Delmarva. "Game one is very, very, important. It is a must win. We can't expect to win game two in Greensboro if we don't win game one."

The Shorebirds (82-66) the Baltimore Orioles Single-A affiliate, had to battle through two playoffs rounds to make it to the championship round. In the opening round the Shorebirds buried the Hickory Crawdads 7-3 and 6-5 in a two game sweep.

In the semi-final round the Shorebirds had to face the team that they had been battling with the whole season in the Northern Division of the SAL, the Charleston (WV) Alley Cats. The Alley Cats dropped the first game 7-6 to the Shorebirds but clawed back in game two.

Outfielder Stephen Larkin silenced the Shorebird faithful at Arthur W. Perdue Stadium in the top of the tenth. Larkin roped a two-run home run down the first base line giving the Alley Cats a 9-7 victory.

The Shorebirds had to go on the road for the decisive game three. The Birds prevailed with a 3-2 victory and were back into the championship series for



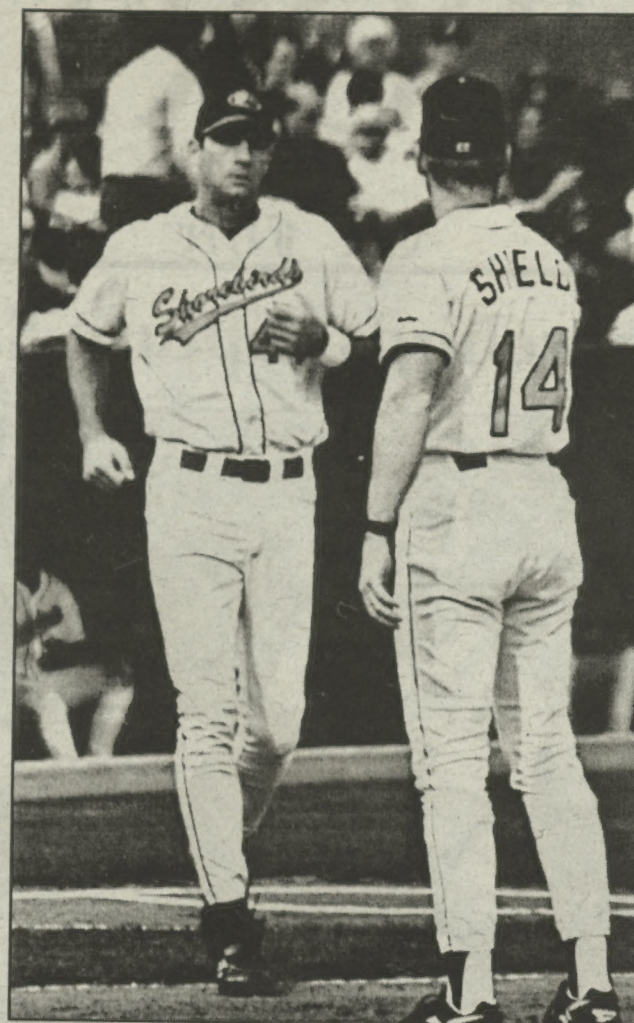
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In Game Two in Greensboro second baseman Carlos Casimiro had a huge night driving in four runs. He had a three-run home run in the top of the fifth to help propel the Shorebirds to their first SAL Championship.

the second year in a row.

Last year's Shorebird team, affiliated with the Montreal Expos, lost the championship to the Savannah Sand Gnats.

It has been a long season for players and fans alike. There are 14 teams in the SAL and only one can say that they are champions at the end of the season. For the Delmarva Shorebirds they are that one team. They are the 1997 SAL Champions.



Third baseman Ryan Minor (far left) is introduced prior to Game One in front of the home crowd. Minor blasted a two-run homer in the bottom of the first.

SCHEDULE

Tuesday, September 16	Marymount vs. SSU Volleyball 7 p.m.
Wednesday, September 17	- Johns Hopkins vs. SSU Field Hockey 4 p.m. - Men's Soccer at Marymount 7 p.m.
Friday, September 19	Women's Soccer at William Paterson 3 p.m.
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Redskins inaugurate Cooke Stadium

Aaron Skolnik
Flyer Sports Writer

A new era of Redskins football began this weekend with the opening of the brand new Jack Kent Cooke Stadium in Raljon, Maryland.

Wait a minute, I have no clue where Raljon is! I thought the stadium was in Landover.

Raljon is the name that Redskins Owner Jack Kent Cooke gave to the area around the stadium, for his two sons, Ralph and John. The stadium is, in fact, located in Landover, just across the Capital Beltway from the Capital Centre.

Don't you mean the U.S. Air Arena?

Of course, my mistake. Regardless, the new stadium seats 80,116 people, over 25,000 more than the aging Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium in downtown Washington. Cooke began lobbying for a new home for his team in the summer of 1987. Now just over 10 years later and only 160 days after the death of Cooke, the new stadium with its spartan appearance and white exterior stands as a lasting monument to the late owner. It is the dream taken from one man as, in his own words, "A gift to the fans, repaying them for years of loyalty."

25,000 more seats? Does that mean I can get a ticket now?

No. If you can believe it, the waiting list to buy season tickets increased from about 45,000 at the end of last season to over 50,000 now. On top of that, the Redskins now have the highest average ticket prices of any NFL franchise. At an average cost of \$52.92 a ticket, a seat at Cooke Stadium comes in just higher than Oakland, San Francisco, Philadelphia and Dallas. Residents of Prince George's county have preference in buying season tickets, a provision stipulated in the deal to build the stadium by P.G. County Executive Wayne Curry.

There always has to be a catch...

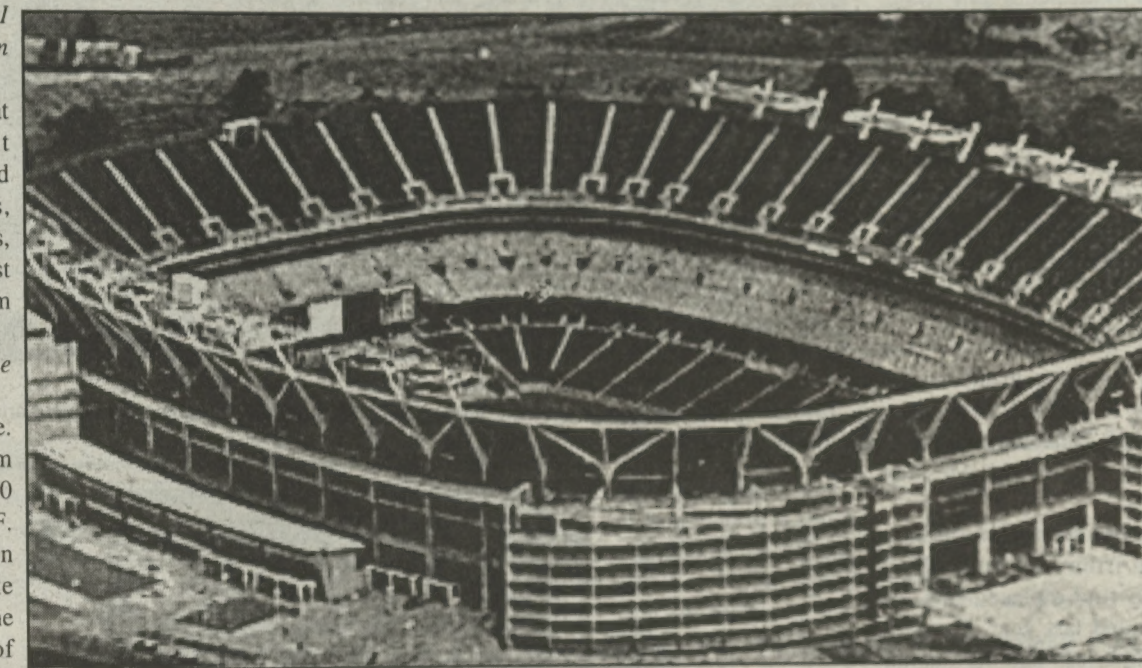
Yes, there are many down sides to the new stadium. First and foremost, getting to and from the stadium will be much more difficult than most other NFL stadiums because of location and lack of adequate infrastructure, even with a \$70 million package of improvements provided by the state of Maryland. With over 80,000 seats and just 22,727 parking spaces, the new parking lot will not only be crowded, but estimates show that it will take close to an hour and a half to clear the entire parking lot after a sold out game. Parking prices have skyrocketed to \$12 per car and most spaces are already sold in advance.

Approximately 10 percent of fans are expected to take mass transit to the stadium, but that includes a

shuttle bus ride at \$2 round trip from one of three subway stations located near the stadium (as opposed to RFK Stadium, where the subway stop was a short walk from the main gate). While most games are on Sunday, the Redskins play a Monday Night contest with the Dallas Cowboys on October 13. This will compound the normal rush-hour delays on the Beltway and make life miserable for residents and commuters alike.

throughout the stadium are said to be greatly improved because Cooke Stadium was designed specifically for football, where RFK was slated for both football and baseball. While the new stadium doesn't feel like "home" yet, once the fans get used to it, Jack Kent Cooke stadium can slowly establish most of the "feeling" and "atmosphere" of RFK.

A brand new stadium had to cost a lot of money...



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An aerial view of the new Jack Kent Cooke Stadium in Raljon, Maryland.

This place just isn't RFK! It doesn't feel the same!

True, Jack Kent Cooke Stadium is no RFK, but it has the potential to be one of the hardest places to play just as its predecessor was. No only will there be 25,000 more fans cheering at the top of their lungs, the seats at one end of the field are mounted on a metal, retractable platform. While the actual purpose of this is to make more of the field available for concerts, it also duplicates the old temporary seats at RFK. With fans stomping in unison, it will be very loud, interfering with the opponents play-calling at the line of scrimmage. The angle of the seating also brings many

more fans closer to the action. The sight lines

era for the Redskins, isn't it?

With the opening kickoff this past Sunday, the Redskins began a new season at a new home. While it's not the field where George Allen and Joe Gibbs coached, where Billy Kilmer, Sonny Jurgensen, Joe Theismann, Art Monk, John Riggins and the Hogs played, it does have its own character. Memories of RFK will never fade, but new ones will be made each fall at Jack Kent Cooke Stadium.

* Information from this article was taken from the September 12, 1997 special addition, "A Grand Opening", of The Washington Post.

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Wilson propels SSU over Messiah, 1-0

Sam Atkinson
Sports Editor

It only takes one to win and that was the case last Saturday as the Salisbury State University field hockey team blanked Messiah College, 1-0. Junior Bonnie Wilson scored for the Gulls on a penalty stroke with 6:27 to play in the second half. That was all the Sea Gulls needed as their defense shut down the potent Falcon offense in their home opener.

"I think we played very flat in the first half. We picked up our intensity in the second half as we generated opportunities to score," said Head Coach Dawn Chamberlin. "We forced that penalty stroke by putting pressure on their goalie."

The game was a very up and down with a lot of sloppy play made by both teams. "All around we weren't playing up to par," said Chamberlin. Salisbury only had 10 shots on goal while the Falcons were only able to put four shots on goal. "You can't win a game taking four shots," said a frustrated Coach Jan Trapp of Messiah.

This was the 13th time that both schools have met with Messiah holding an 8-5 edge in the series. The Sea Gulls were able to break the two game winning streak the Falcons, now 2-2, had against them. Last year's game went into overtime with Messiah walking away with a 2-1 victory.

This year's field hockey squad returns key players throughout the lineup from last year's 15-3 team. Chamberlin will have to find replacements for two all-Americans who graduated last year. Forward Sue Fatz was a first-team all-American and the Capital Athletic Conference's Player of the Year in 1996. Fatz is SSU's all-time field hockey leading scorer. Also gone from the picture is Kristin Scarola, another first team all-American and the core of SSU's defense from last year.

The win is big for the Sea Gulls who are currently 2-1, as they face a big week in front of them.



Senior forward Laura Getty (#13) chases after the ball passing Jessica Galloway of Messiah College last Saturday.



Last year's second leading goal scorer, junior forward Megan Hopper (far right) maneuvers around a Falcon defender.

This Wednesday the Gulls will play host to the Blue Jays of Johns Hopkins. This weekend they will host the Sea Gull Invitational as SSU, Plymouth State, Denison and Bridgewater go to battle. "We won the invitational last year and we want to win it again this year," said Wilson.

"This win has everybody boosted," said goalie Kristin Archer who had four saves on the day. "Hopkins will be a big regional game for us and we will see good competition this coming weekend," Chamberlin said.

It is still early in the season but the SSU field hockey team is starting to show forms of last year's squad. This week will be a prodigious test for the Gulls as a good showing may propel them back into the NCAA Division III rankings.

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the goal never happened. Roanoke responded right away with a pressing attack that once again pressed the SSU defense. Newton scored his second goal of the game off of a pass from junior forward Sam Starkweather.



Senior back Kirk Chesla, a two-time 1st team all-CAC selection, fights for the ball against a Roanoke attacker in the first round of the Salisbury State Classic.



Junior forward Michael Giuffrida (far right) scored the only goal for the Gulls.

Salisbury and Roanoke each finished with 13 shots apiece. SSU junior goaltender Brad Nein made six saves while sophomore goalkeeper Brian Zaks made five for Roanoke.

Nein, in his first year starting between the pipes, has looked solid for Coach DiBartolo. "He's a hard-nosed kid who's looked good so far. We expect big things from him."

Other standouts during the game included

senior defenseman Kirk Chesla and freshman back Darren LaRocque. "We played fairly well as far as the basics are concerned. For some reason we just can't find the back of the net. We'll fix that," Coach DiBartolo said.

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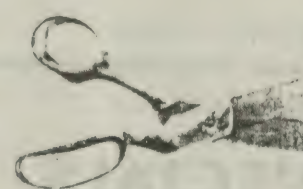
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ΑΣΤ Alpha Sigma Tau

Welcome back everyone! Hope you had a great summer. For anyone who is interested in rush, our rush dates are September 16 and 18 in the University Center, Nanticoke Rooms A and B, from 7-9 p.m. We are looking forward to meeting everyone. Hope to see you soon.

ΔΓ Delta Gamma

Welcome back! The ladies of Delta Gamma are busy preparing for rush '97. For those who are interested, look for signs or see any Dee Gee for more details. This semester we are planning a road trip to West Virginia University, a crush party, the Golden Anchor Ball, Adopt-a-Highway, bowling with the physically and mentally challenged and much more. Interested in a social? Call Jen Hafemann at 341-3677.

Panhellenic

Interested in joining a sorority? Check out the wonderful ladies of ΑΣΤ, ΔΓ, ΦΜ and ΖΤΑ. For information, dates and times, look for the flyers around campus. Any current member of ΑΣΤ, ΔΓ, ΦΜ and ΖΤΑ who is interested in becoming a Spring Formal Rush counselor should begin attending Panhellenic meetings NOW! The first meeting will be held Wednesday, September 24 at 8:30 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge. Until next time...

ΦΜ Phi Mu

Welcome back. We hope everyone had a great summer. Congratulations once again to our new sisters Anisah, Amy, Jen, Terra and Cami. We are happy to have Keri back from her semester at Walt Disney World. If you are interested in joining a sorority, come check us out. We will be having rush parties Sept. 16 at 8:00 p.m. and Sept. 18 at 8:30 p.m. in the University Center. Hope to see you there. Happy birthday to Melissa T. and Emily. Good luck this semester. Remember study hard but play harder! If you want a social call "T" at 341-6822.

ΠΑΦ Pi Lamda Phi

Pi Lam would like to welcome back the students of SSU. The fall '97 semester is shaping up to be a good one. Happy birthday to Schwad and Chris (don't worry, you guys don't have to go through it again). We would like to thank Stephanie for her contributions to the fraternity. Welcome back to one of our founding fathers, Ray Barrett. "Righty tighty, lefty loosey;" learn

it Dools. Come join Pi Lam in a four-player beach volleyball tournament on September 20 and 21. Sign up in St. Martin 232. Hans, invest in some Pampers. "God" is with us all. Good luck on the season, Chad.

ΣΦΕ Sigma Phi Epsilon

Welcome back from the brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon. We hope everyone enjoyed their break. Sorry we've been on the down low these first couple weeks, but we'll be back to our good old selves in no time. Mad shout outs to our cousins Pi Lam and their wonderful gatherings. A special brotherly-love welcome back to brother Eric. It's good to see you again. Anyone interested in information on us contact Poz at 546-4242. Also, be on the lookout for our Sig Ep sweethearts, coming soon to take your heart away. Until next week...PEACE!

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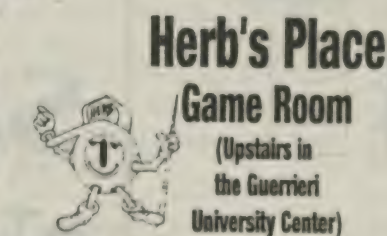
Welcome new and old students. Hope the summer was

fun. Be on the lookout for tickets to our upcoming concert featuring "Love Seed Mama Jump" on October 4. Contact any of our brothers or call 543-2181. Thanks to all the new girls and fellas that made our first night back a big success. Sorry about the heat! Until next week...rush TKE!

ZTA Zeta Tau Alpha

It's only the third week of school and the Zetas have been extremely busy. We've had a tremendously successful fall Rush. Yesterday was our last open event. Thanks to all the girls who came out. Hey Pi Lam- Nice Peejays! Thanks for the Pajama Social. It was a blast. We had a Chapter Retreat in Ocean City on the 5th. Thanks to Tina, our general advisor, for driving three hours to see us! Our FREE Car Wash on the 6th at the Shell station was a great success! Thanks to all that donated. Happy Belated Birthdays to Jill, Katee and Mandy L. Any organization interested in a social should call Jeni at 548-7908.

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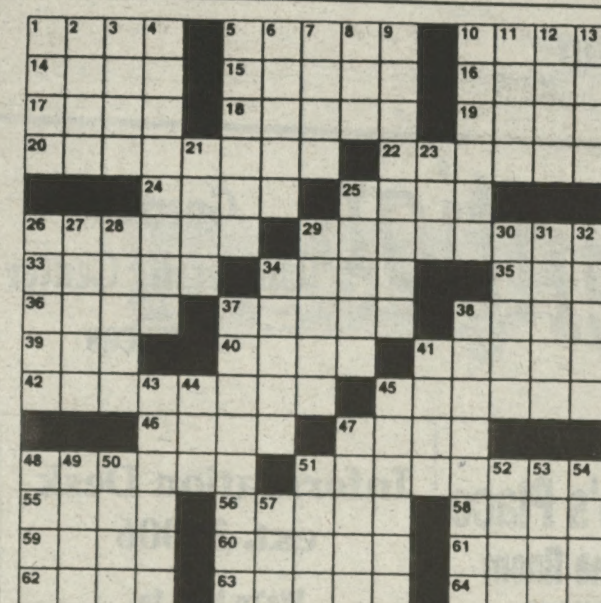
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American Marketing Association

The American Marketing Association will be having its first meeting on Tuesday September 16 at 3:30 in Holloway Hall room 114. All majors are welcome to come. Pizza will be served as well.

Attention Artists, Illustrators & Photographers

Get published! Woodholme House Publishers, a Baltimore-based independent book publisher, seeks artists to contribute their talents to its forthcoming book, "Songs of Myself: Episodes from the Edge of Adulthood." The book collects essays written by college-aged adults reflecting on life at the crossroads of dependence and independence, family and freedom.

Woodholme House invites artists currently enrolled in area colleges, but not necessarily fine arts majors, to submit a photograph of their original artwork or a print of their original photography. Artwork should reflect an aspect of the various themes and moods explored in the book. Only one submission per artist, please. Print name, school, major, artwork's title and medium, and daytime telephone number on the back of the photograph. Include any additional description or information about the piece as necessary. Send entries to "Songs of Myself Art," c/o Woodholme House Publishers, 1829 Reisterstown Rd., Suite 130, Baltimore, MD, 21208, by October 31, 1997. For more information, call 410-653-7903.

Attention December Graduates

Commencement exercises will be held on Sunday, December 21, 1997 at 3:00 p.m. in the Wicomico Youth & Civic Center. Detailed information will be mailed to you at later date.

Educational Rights and Privacy Act Annual Notification

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 gives students the right to inspect and review educational records maintained by the university. Additionally, a student may request the amendment of a record that the student believes to be inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy. Students maintain the right of consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the records of the student. SSU will assume the right, under the provisions of this act, to provide student directory information found in a student's educational record without prior consent of the student. For such purposes, directory information is defined as the student's name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of the athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, the most recent previous educational institution attended and other similar information. If for some reason you do not want your directory information released, you must have your directory information "flagged" by completing a form at the Office of the Registrar by Friday, September 5. When your directory information is flagged, the only mail you will receive from the university will be related to registration, billing, financial aid and graduation.

Environmental Health Club

For anyone interested in volunteering, there is a Coastal Cleanup at Assateague Island on Saturday, September 27 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Everybody who volunteers receives a free shirt and lunch. The Environmental Health Club is attending and setting up transportation. For any additional information call Dr. Venso at 548-6499.

Graduation Application Deadline for Seniors

All undergraduate students who plan to complete degree requirements in May 1998 or Summer 1998 must complete an Application for Diploma in the Office of the Registrar by Monday, September 29, 1997. The university no longer requires a graduation fee. All applications must be approved by the chairperson of the student's major department. The purpose of this early application deadline is to allow time for each senior's records to be reviewed in detail prior to their last semester of attendance at the university, and this insures that students are aware of their academic status early enough to make any last-minute adjustments in their plan of study. Please return your completed application to the Office of the Registrar, Holloway Hall 120, or mail it to the Office of the Registrar, Salisbury State University, 1101 Camden Ave., Salisbury, MD 21801.

History Club

The History Club will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, September 24 at 8:00 p.m. at Mulligan's. Plans for trips to historical locations will be discussed. All majors welcome. For more information contact Bill Fennelly at 341-7539.

International Film Series

Director Ken Russell's *Savage Messiah*, adapted from H.S. Ede's biography of sculptor Henri Gaudier, who died at age 23 in World War I, will be shown on Monday, September 29 at 7 p.m. at Devilbiss Science Hall Auditorium at SSU. It is free and open to the public. For more information please call the SSU Public Relations Office at 410-543-6030.

Monster Book Sale

Blackwell Library will hold its annual Monster Book Sale on Thursday, September 25 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The sale will be held on the terrace in front of the library. New stock! Books will be on sale for \$1 each, LP phonograph records for \$1, and paperbacks for 25 cents. There will also be special items and sets. This is your once-a-year opportunity to fill the gaps on your bookshelves. Rain date will be Friday, September 26.

National College Poetry Contest

This contest is open to all college and university students desiring to have their poetry anthologized. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top five poems. The deadline is October 31. For contest rules, send self-addressed, stamped envelope to: International Publications, PO Box 44044-L, Los Angeles, CA 90044.

National Fire Prevention Week

The week of October 5-11 is National Fire Prevention Week. During this week, which is also the anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire, the Office of Public Safety would like everyone to be conscious of fire safety. Fire exit drills will be conducted in all campus buildings. When an alarm sounds, you should: close all windows in the room that you are in; turn off all electrical equipment; close the door as you leave; walk, do not run, to the nearest exit, and do not use elevators; if the nearest exit is blocked, proceed to an alternate exit; exit the building and move a safe distance away from the building. Remember, do not reenter the building until an officer signals that it is safe.

Poetry Reading

Poet Kim Addonizio reads her work on Thursday, September 18 at 8:00 p.m. in SSU's Fulton Hall Room 111. The reading, free and open to the public, is the initial reading of the SSU Department of English's 1997-98 Writers-on-the-Shore series. For more information call the SSU English Department at 410-543-6445.

1997-98 Student Handbook

Student handbooks will be delivered to all resident students, faculty, and department heads via the campus post office. Commuter students can pick up handbooks at the Information Desk in the University Center. Faculty/staff who do not receive a copy through the mail may pick up one at the Information Desk.

Student Health Insurance

There is no university mandated health insurance plan; however, students no longer covered under their parents' plan are encouraged to obtain coverage. A variety of brochures are available in Student Health Services.

Student Health Services

Student Health Services Patient hours are as follows: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., with walk-ins at 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.; Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m., with walk-ins at 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., and 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.; Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., with walk-ins at 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. All other times by appointment. Please call 410-543-6262 for information. Full-time students, and part-time students who pay a per-semester fee, are eligible for services.

Student Speaker for December Commencement

The University Graduation Committee is again seeking eligible students to deliver a brief address to graduating seniors this December. Criteria for eligibility include a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or above (including Summer '97, if applicable) and completion of at least 60 semester hours at SSU of which at least 30 semester hours are in 300 or 400 level courses (grades of A, B or C). If you are interested and eligible for consideration for this honor, pick up an application and time line in the Vice President of Student Affairs Office in the University Center, room 212. Application and speech must be submitted by October 10.

Study Abroad Interest Meeting

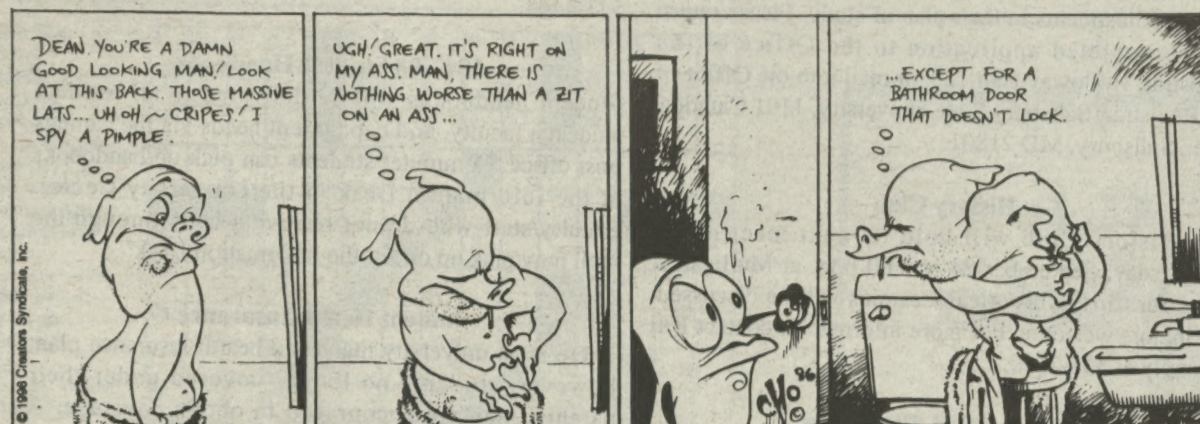
What do Dr. Seuss, Bill Clinton, Bart Simpson, Malcom X, John Lithgow and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis all have in common? All of these people, whether fictional or not, have studied abroad. And now, it's your turn! Attend the study abroad meeting on Wednesday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. in Devilbiss Room 230. Talk to anyone who has studied abroad and you'll find someone who has had a life-changing experience. The rewards of study abroad have opened many doors in their lives. Why not cross the threshold yourself? Explore the possibility of stepping into the global classroom: study abroad.

SSU News Deadlines

The deadline for SSU News has been changed to Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. because of the quantity of information received last year. The publication will be distributed on campus the Thursday following the deadline. Articles should be typed, double-spaced and contain a contact name and phone number. Each article will run a maximum of two times. We apologize for any inconvenience the deadline change may cause. If you have any questions call 410-543-6030.

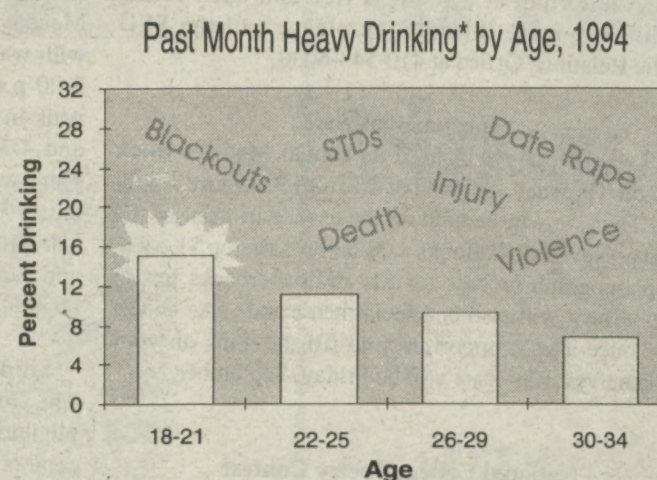
Tickets for Graduation

Again this year, the University Graduation Committee finds it necessary to issue tickets for guests who wish to attend the graduation ceremony. Admission will be by ticket only. Each December graduate will be provided 10 guest tickets. There are no extra tickets available. More information will be available throughout the semester.

**Heavy Drinking . . . Is It Really Worth It?**

You may think heavy drinking is an acceptable part of the college experience. But have you considered the consequences? When you drink, you run the risk of doing something you'll regret later. When you're under the influence of alcohol, you're more likely to expose yourself to a sexually transmitted disease (STD) by having unprotected sex. You could get yourself into a situation you may not be able to handle—or get out of. Falling grades and dropping out become a reality because college students who drink the most get the lowest grades.

All students need to ask, "Is it really worth taking the kind of risk that could negatively affect the rest of my life?" For free materials and other resource information on alcohol and illicit drugs, call the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information at 1-800-729-6686.



* Heavy drinking is defined as five or more drinks per day on each of five or more days in the past thirty days.

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National Household Survey on Drug Abuse, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Sept. 1995

Check regularly in the SSU Newsletter, The Flyer, and MAX for details.

Trip to Ecuador

Two interest meetings will be held concerning an SSU winter term 1998 trip to Ecuador on Tuesday, September 16 at 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. in Caruthers Hall Room 106. Classes available include SPAN 105, SPAN 202, SPAN 316, SPAN 405, MDPL 399 and BIOL 399. Information on field trips, accommodations and expenses will also be covered. Contact Dr. Gerry St. Martin at 410-543-6254, Holloway Hall Room 355 for more information.

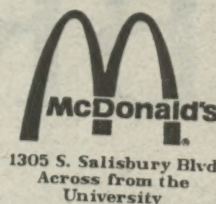
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CRIME BEAT

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Jim Phillips
Director of Public Safety

9/5 Theft - A resident of Wicomico Hall reported the theft of a bike from a bike rack on the north end of Wicomico Hall. The cable securing the bike had been cut.

9/5 Telephone Misuse - A resident of Choptank Hall reported receiving several annoying and unwanted phone calls.

9/5 Assault & Battery - Two residents of St. Martin Hall were involved in an argument which turned into a physical assault. Administrative and possible criminal charges are pending.

9/5 - 9/6 Vandalism - A security device was damaged in the basement of Holloway Hall.

9/5 - 9/7 Theft - A book of stamps was reported to have been stolen from an office on the third floor of Holloway Hall.

9/6 Indecent Exposure - A resident of Chesapeake Hall reported that a man was observed exposing himself in the breezeway of Chesapeake Hall near the pay phones. The area was searched, but the suspect could not be located.

9/6 Alcohol Violation - Several underage students were found to be in possession of alcohol in Pocomoke Hall. Administrative hearing is pending.

9/6 Theft - CDs were reported stolen from an office in the basement of Holloway Hall.

9/8 - 9/9 Theft - A student reported the theft of a bike from the bike rack outside of Blackwell Library. It is a black "GT" mountain bike.

9/9 - 9/10 Theft - A book bag was reported stolen from an office on the second floor of Holloway Hall.

9/11 Assault & Battery - A student reported that a man touched her while she was sitting in a classroom in Fulton Hall. The non-student was located on campus. A no-trespass letter was issued and criminal charges are pending.

9/12 Alcohol Violation - An underage student was found to be intoxicated in the Chesapeake parking lot. Administrative action is pending.

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1997

@ 7:30p.m.

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The comprehensive trip fee of \$2,500 (double occupancy) includes round trip air fare to Rome, hotels, meals (except lunch daily), transfers, and admission to all cultural sites on the itinerary. An initial deposit of \$600 is due on September 26, 1997. Space is limited.

RESERVATIONS CAN BE MADE IN THE GUERRIERI CENTER OFFICE STARTING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1997. FOR MORE INFORMATION: CALL DAVE GANOE, DIRECTOR OF THE GUERRIERI CENTER, AT 410-543-6100.

5/1 - 8/20 Theft - A number of t-shirts were reported stolen from a storage area in the Power Professional Building. The t-shirts are described as long-sleeved with an SSU logo on the front with animals, and "Help Save the Earth" on the back.

8/29 Alcohol Violation - An underage resident of Pocomoke Hall was found to be ill from the effects of alcohol consumption and was transported to PRMC for treatment.

8/29 - 9/2 Theft - A computer was reported stolen from an office in the Powell Building.

9/1 - 9/11 Telephone Misuse - A resident of Dogwood Village reported receiving several unwanted and annoying phone calls.

9/2 Indecent Exposure - Two students reported that they observed a man exposing himself in the Dogwood parking lot. They obtained a license plate number of the vehicle that the suspect was driving. The investigation is continuing.

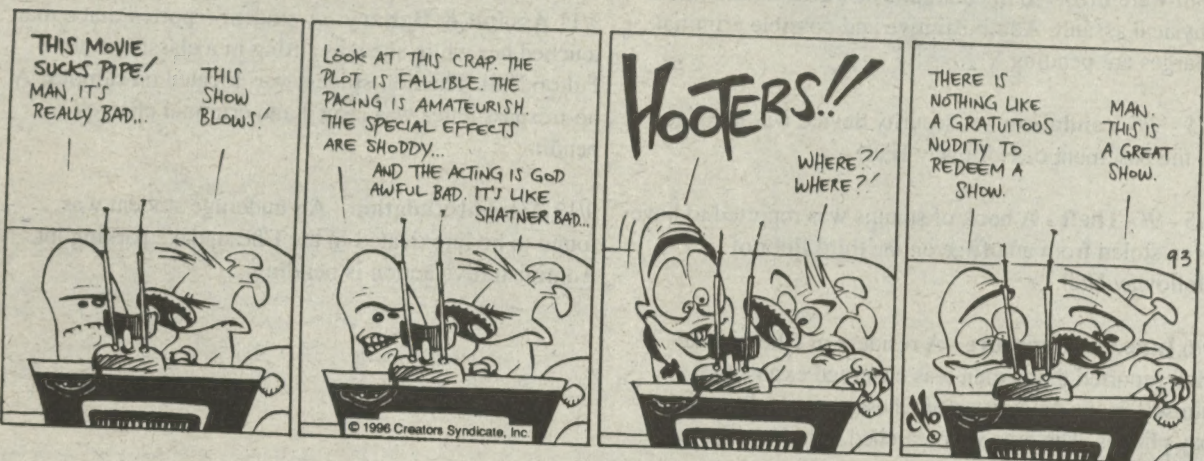
9/2 Telephone Misuse - A resident of Severn Hall reported receiving several hang-up calls.

9/2 Sexual Assault - a resident student reported that she was slapped on the buttocks by a man while she walked through Red Square. He was with a group of five males that were hanging out in the area.

9/4 - 9/5 Hit & Run - A university van was damaged by an unknown vehicle while parked near the Commons.



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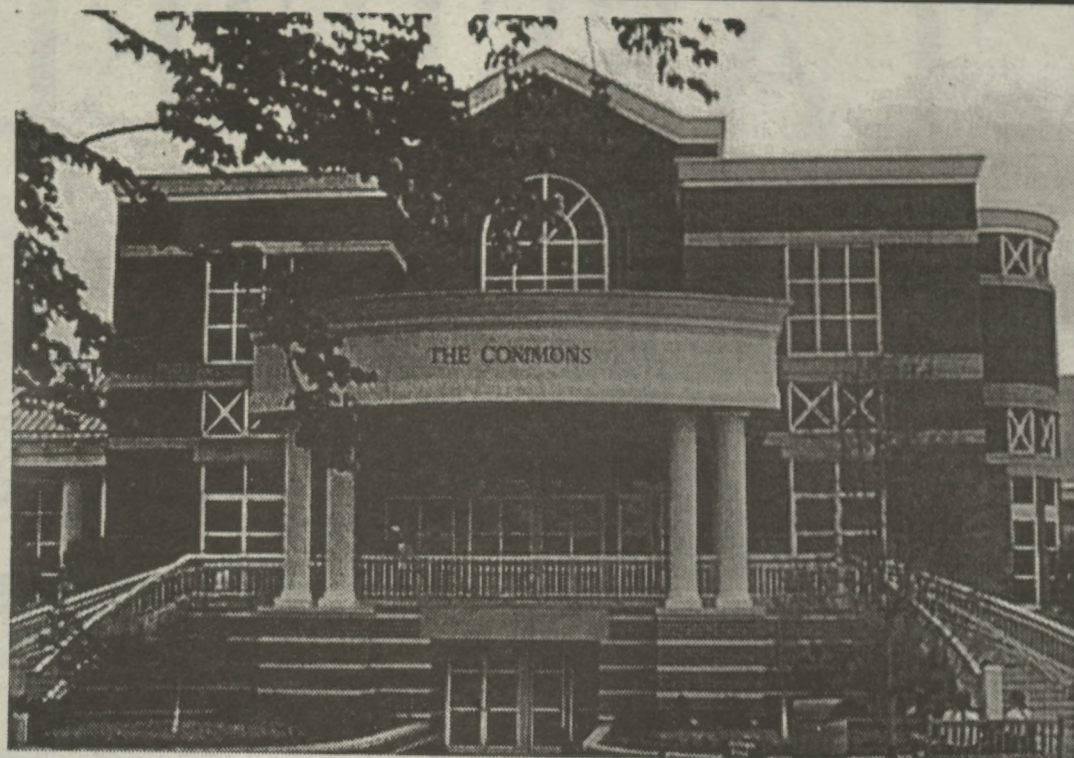
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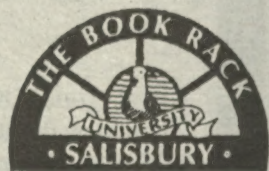
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